



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/619,819 Confirmation No.: 7208
Applicant : MARK B. METHERELL
Filing Date : 07/14/2003
Title : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING SHIPS AND
HARBORS FROM ATTACK BY VESSELS
Group Art Unit : 3617
Examiner : Jesus D. Sotelo
Docket No. : 703639.4001US
Customer No. : 34313

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application in connection with the Office Action dated <insert date>.

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 [fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)] for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION (months)	FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	FEE FOR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one month	\$55.00	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$210.00	\$420.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$475.00	\$950.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$740.00	\$1,480.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,005.00	\$2,010.00
	Fee	\$55.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.
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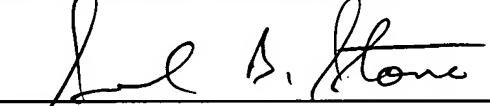
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 Charge any additional fee required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 15-0665.
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Total Claims	23	-	20	=	3	x	\$18.00	\$54.00
Independent Claims	2	-	3	=	0	x	\$86.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	\$290.00	(if applicable)						\$0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS								\$0.00
Reduction by 1/2 for Filing by Small Entity. Note 37 CFR §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28.								<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$27.00
Extension of Time (from above)								\$55.00
Assignment -- \$40 (if applicable)								<input type="checkbox"/> \$0.00
TOTAL FEES SUBMITTED HEREWITH								\$82.00

Respectfully submitted,

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